

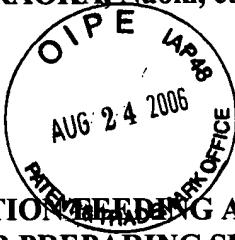
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

In re the Application of: **HIRAOKA, Naoki, et al.**

Serial No.: **10/662,450**

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For: **CHEMICAL SOLUTION FEEDING APPARATUS  
AND METHOD FOR PREPARING SLURRY**



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Commissioner for Patents

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Date: August 24, 2006

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated **April 3, 2006** of the Primary Examiner.

The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

1.  A petition for a two-month extension of time to respond to the Final Rejection is filed concurrently with this paper.
2.  A timely response to the Final Rejection was filed on June 28, 2006, as provided in 37 C.F.R. 1.113.
3.  Fee - \$500.00 or  Small Entity -\$250.00

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Not required (fee paid in prior appeal)

Charge to Deposit Account No. 01-2340

In the event this Notice of Appeal is not considered to be timely filed, Applicant hereby petitions for an appropriate extension of time. The fee for this extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340, along with any other additional fees which may be required with respect to this Notice.

Respectfully submitted,

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